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Blake Gillis, right, who is headed to a major meet, practices take-downs with his partner, Nick Shandri.

MAT MASTER

Blake Gillis is the first Div. III wrestler to receive an invitation to the National Wrestling Coaches Association All-Star Meet

LUKE SHANNO
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Blake Gillis will make history for Wartburg when he travels to Dallas for the National Wrestling Coaches Association All-Star Meet Nov. 20.

Gillis is the first Div. III wrestler ever to receive an invitation to compete at this particular meet, and he considers it a great honor.

"It's a pretty big honor to be the first Div. III wrestler to ever be invited to this meet," Gillis said. "I'm pretty excited about it."

The structure of the NWCA All-Star Meet is different.

The committee picks the

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Mensa burglarized; second time in year

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*
TARA LEWIN *OP/ED EDITOR*

Approximately $100 was stolen from the Mensa last Tuesday. This is the second time the Mensa has been hit with monetary theft in the last six months.

At 6:30 a.m., Mensa employees reported the break-in to campus security.

John Myers, director of campus security and safety, said he believes the break-in happened sometime in the night.

"There's no forced entry into the Mensa itself," Myers said. "In the office, they pried open a cabinet. They pried the corner off, and then reached in and grabbed a money bag."

Before resorting to prying the cabinet open, the perpetrator(s) attempted to open the lock with a random key. When that was unsuccessful, the perpetrator(s) used an object to rip open one corner of the cabinet, according to Myers.

Myers said the bag that was

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Students protest work at 'assassins' school

JACKIE MANTERNACH *STAFF WRITER*

About 30 Wartburg students plan to attend a demonstration in Fort Benning, Ga., Nov. 17-19 to call for the closure of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (WHINSEC), formerly known as the School of the Americas (SOA).

According to the School of the Americas Watch Web site, www.soaw.org, the SOA has been nicknamed the School of Assassins and has trained 60,000 Latin American soldiers during the last 59 years. Many of these graduates are blamed for thousands of tortures, rapes and deaths of Latin Americans.

WHINSEC encourages students at the demonstration to take a tour of the school and listen to a panel of speakers.

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Applebee's and Pablo's opening Waverly locations in next few months

JAKE BEST *STAFF WRITER*

Wartburg students will have two new eating establishments to choose from in the coming months.

Pablo's Mexican Grill and Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar both plan to open locations in Waverly.

Pablo's, which offers burritos, salads, tacos and six different kinds of salsa, will be located on the west side of Fourth Street, just south of Hy-Vee and will open in December.

"Riggs Development Corporation contacted me with plans for their new building in Waverly, and I jumped at the opportunity, as I had been looking to expand in the Cedar Valley in both Waverly and Waterloo," Paul Hein, owner of Pablo's in Cedar Falls, said.

While attending college in Southern California, Hein loved the fresh "Baja style" Mexican food that he often ate.

"The huge burritos stuffed with fresh grilled ingredients were great, and after returning to the Cedar Valley in the mid 90s, I really began to miss that kind of food," Hein said.

"I was sure that some other restaurant providing that type of food would eventually open up, but it never happened. So in 2003 I decided that it was time to do it myself," Hein added.

Hein works with local farms for meats and produce.

"Working with local farmers gives us that freshness were looking for," Hein said.

The other new restaurant, Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, will be located on Fourth Street in front of the Super Wal-Mart.

According to Jason Passmore, Waverly's community development and zoning manager, city officials have reviewed the plan, and Applebee's construction will begin soon.

The Waverly branch of Applebee's will be the third in the Cedar Valley, in addition to the Cedar Falls and Waterloo locations. The Waverly location will open this spring.

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Applebee's *fast facts*

Applebee's® was **founded in Atlanta, Georgia**, by Bill and T.J. Palmer in November 1980.

Applebee's is the largest casual dining restaurant in the world with more than 1,900 restaurants in 49 states and 17 countries.

According to Nation's Restaurant News, Applebee's is the tenth largest restaurant chain in U.S. system-wide sales and, within the casual dining segment, Applebee's is first in number of units, first in sales and first in market share.

The average check per guest in 2005 was $10.50 to $11.00.

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TRUMPET/*News*

Sports shuttle in works

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

With all basketball "home" games being played at the UNI campus in Cedar Falls, the student life office and student senate is considering taking buses to the games.

"We have some responsibility if there is student interest, to provide transportation to the women's and the men's games," Lex Smith, dean of students, said.

The buses would be provided free to students. The college is still unsure where the buses and drivers will come from, but Waverly-Shell Rock high school buses and drivers are one option, according to Smith.

Transportation would be offered only when both the men and women are playing.

The first shuttle would be provided Jan. 13 and the following five home games.

Different shuttles may be offered so fans may attend some or all of each game.

College vans may be used if too few students express an interest in taking buses.

Students are encouraged to express their interest in the shuttle service by voting in the interactive poll at www.wartburg.edu/trumpet.

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Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

The general's coming!

The cast of "The (Iraqi) Inspector General" prepare for a mystery guest during last week's performance in the McCaskey Lyceum.

Police investigate robbery

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stolen contained the money collected each night from the Den, Mensa and Konditorei. The money is counted each morning, and therefore, officials don't know the exact amount, but it was estimated to be approximately $100.

"It's disappointing," Margaret Empie, director of dining services, said. "You'd like to think that everyone around you is ethical and can be trusted."

The investigation has been turned over to the Waverly Police Department. The WPD dusted the cabinet for fingerprints and has received a list of names of everyone who was working that night.

If the perpetrator(s) are found, charges could range from breaking and entering to burglary.

Last summer, the Mensa experienced the same type of theft. According to Myers, that case was never solved.

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Quartet to perform Thursday

JACKIE MANTERNACH *STAFF WRITER*

A bluegrass/jazz group, Alison Brown's Quartet, will play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Neumann Auditorium.

"Alison Brown's [quartet] has a unique style of bluegrass/jazz which may be new to the listener." Myrna Culbertson, said. Culbertson directs Wartburg's Artist Series. The quartet consists of banjo, piano, drums and guitar.

Each year a committee of three Waverly citizens, three faculty members, three students and two staff members choose four performances that will appeal to a diverse audience while being educational, entertaining and affordable, according to Culbertson.

"Even if the arts are not your cup of tea, you can still benefit greatly from the Artist Series," Hans Pregler, production manager, said.

"The Artist Series is designed to give students opportunities to get a taste of other cultures, political views, art genres, etc. Knowing more about all these subjects will give you an edge in a future career, no matter where your interest lies," Pregler added.

The Artist Series still has two more shows after Brown's. On Feb. 20, a play, "Jackie, Vi and Lena," will be presented. Mar. 22, tap dancers will perform in "Tony Waag's Tap City."

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Protesters struggle with Senate to secure funding, transportation

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According to their Web site, www.infantry.army.mil/whinsec, WHINSEC "provides professional education and training for civilian, military and law enforcement students from nations throughout the Western Hemisphere" and is dedicated "to promoting peace, democratic values, and respect for human rights through inter-American cooperation."

The demonstration will be a nonviolent call for action.

The trip has been organized through Wartburg's chapter of Amnesty International, which is a world-wide human rights organization based in the U.K. Students will attend a rally and listen to torture victims and family members of those killed by SOA graduates.

Rachel Hartz, co-president of Amnesty, planned the trip.

"I think that last year really sparked an interest with the conflict that we had with the Student Senate; either that or we just advertised really well," Hartz said.

Erin Wright is a former member of Wartburg's senate and an advocate for SOA's closure.

"Last year, the budget review committee came back to the senate and rejected giving any money to Amnesty International to attend the School of the Americas, saying that they did not believe going to the SOA would benefit the larger community," Wright said. "In the end, the senate overturned the budget review committee's decision and Amnesty was given a little over $400 to attend."

Wartburg's senate will review this year's funding resolution on Thursday. The rest of the trip was funded by T-shirt sales, the Leadership Committee, Campus Ministry, St. Andrew's, and Dell Association for Peace and Justice.

Hartz' biggest challenge this year has been finding a way to Georgia.

"This year, transportation was a bit of an issue, because of the number of people attending the trip," Hartz said.

The group had initially planned to take Wartburg vehicles, but didn't book them in time.

"Despite all the trouble we have had, the clouds are beginning to part," Hartz said.

Several supporters of the SOA demonstration are volunteering their vehicles.

St. Elizabeth's Week HIGHLIGHTS

Tuesday:
7 p.m. Advocacy discussion, Heritage Ballroom

Wednesday:
10:15-10:35 a.m. Wartburg Chapel Service with St. Elizabeth's Chorale
5:30 p.m. Soup Kitchen Dinner
Heritage & St. Elizabeth's Ballrooms
6:30-9:30 p.m. Poverty Simulation
Heritage & St. Elizabeth's Ballrooms
9:30 p.m. Eucharist

Thursday: SOA Awareness Day
3 p.m. OrangeBand minimum wage discussion, Konditorei
7:30 p.m. Interfaith Dialogue, Topic: Life on Earth, Cardinal Commons

Friday: St. Elizabeth's Day
10:15-10:35 a.m. St. Elizabeth's Chapel Service
Service Award recipients announced
10:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth's Lunch, Mensa

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Left, Best Buddies Brent Westmeyer, Mike Johnson and Jeremiah Brase hang out with Susie McArdle, college buddy director of the Wartburg chapter. Above, Jessica Renken, a college buddy, sits with Stacy Lahr at a Best Buddies event in the ballrooms of the Saemann Student Center .

Best Buddies fosters best experiences

College students befriend locals with intellectual disabilities

KRYSTAL FOWLER *MANAGING EDITOR*

Best Buddies. It's about volunteering time to brighten someone's day. It's about cultivating unconventional and life-changing friendships. And it's right here in Waverly.

When Susie McArdle, a junior, was involved in Best Buddies while attending Sioux City West High School, she never thought she would be responsible for leading a Best Buddies at Wartburg.

McArdle is not only the college buddy director for the Wartburg chapter of Best Buddies; she is also responsible for starting the organization.

She decided to attempt to start a Best Buddies chapter at Wartburg after meeting a state representative of the organization at an involvement fair. McArdle, who still talks to her high school buddy, expressed an interest in bringing the group to Wartburg and thought the campus would be a great fit for the program.

She was right.

The program, which began last year with 15 buddy matches, has grown to include 21 buddy matches and six associate buddies.

Best Buddies International is a non-profit organization that provides opportunities for friendship and integrated employment for people with intellectual disabilities. It has programs in middle schools, high schools, colleges, work places and in communities.

The college buddy program matches people with intellectual disabilities with college students, giving the buddies a chance to have friendships outside of their own, often isolated, communities.

"It's just going out and having fun being a friend to someone," McArdle said.

Officers of the Wartburg chapter of Best Buddies work with the director of North Star Community Services to match buddies with college students. North Star is a private non-profit agency that helps disabled people live and work in their communities.

Brooke Pevny, a sophomore majoring in psychology and social work, was paired with her buddy, Marian Hedeen, in January. Marian, of Waverly, is 19 and has cerebral palsy. Shortly after meeting, the two quickly discovered a mutual love for eating pizza and watching movies.

> 'It's just going out and having fun being a friend to someone.'

Pevny thinks of Hedeen as she would any other friend. They e-mail each other once or twice a week and usually get together every other week to watch a movie or go bowling.

"Being around her is great," Pevny said of Hedeen. "She's so full of energy."

Although Pevny might be transferring to another college, she intends to keep in contact with Hedeen.

Pevny said, "I think the best part of the program is being able to experience being friends and having a relationship with somebody who is different than you and outside of the Wartburg community, and being able to learn to relate on a different level."

Buddies are expected to make contact at least once a week and meet at least once a month, according to McArdle,

"They might not get a phone call from anybody other than their parents or the people who are paid to spend time with them," she said. "It means so much to the buddies."

The Wartburg chapter of Best Buddies gathers at least once a month. In the past months they held a "get to know your buddy" party and a hayride.

Wartburg has had enough student interest that only a few buddies are without matches.

Interested students must fill out an application, attend an interest meeting and go through an interview process. The interview helps make better matches between buddies by considering the personalities and interests of both buddies.

Buddy matches are made at the beginning of the academic year; however, people can still join the group any time as associate buddies. Although they don't have one-to-one matches, associate buddies attend all meetings and group activities and spend time with paired buddies throughout the year.

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Editorial

Students can't be forced to care

On this campus we have a litany of well-meaning initiatives that try to force students to care about a topic when they don't. If there is anything that is true about passion, it is that it must come from the heart. No organization, dialogue or professors who give extra credit for showing up can create passion.

Your heart is the only place true caring occurs. Many people have issues about which they feel strongly. Some people don't care about much. Care or don't. Participate or don't. Change the world, or sit back and watch TV. It's your decision. Not even the most persuasive campaign can take that from you.

Whom do you want to be? The apathetic person who cares little about what happens? The person who works tirelessly for change in a resistant world? Maybe you think your biology test is more important than AIDS, poverty or politics. It's OK. No one should judge what should be important to others.

Don't feel pressured to fake an interest in initiatives that don't matter to you. You reap what you sow. Decide what kind of world you want to live in and act, or don't act, accordingly.

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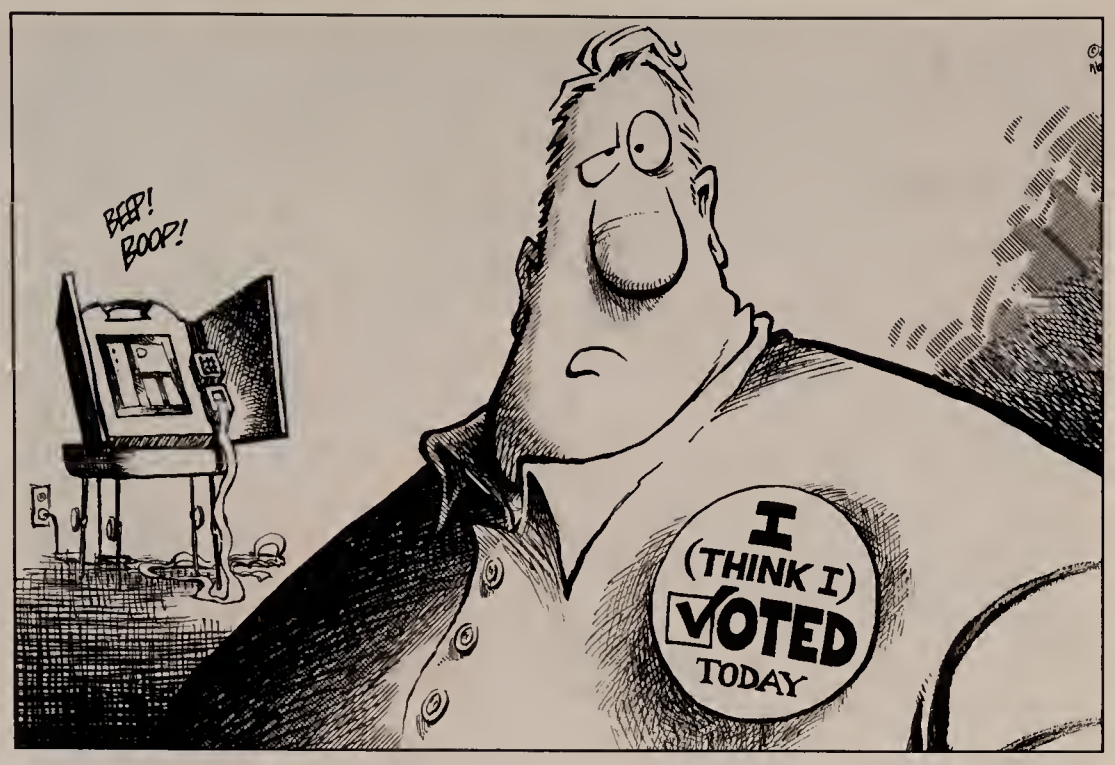

Elections: Americans want change

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

It was a big week for politicians. Not only were the midterm elections last week, but Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld also was relieved of his position.

Rumsfeld's ousting is interesting, given the time frame. Just a day after the elections, the news had to be shocking to some, and a long time coming for others. The U.S. is in the middle of a war, for which the administration has received more than their share of criticism.

I will give Rumsfeld the benefit of the doubt. Being in that position in this time in history is not easy. The war is a big issue right now, and the secretary of defense is a high-profile job. A recent poll even said that 55 percent of Americans disapproved of Rumsfeld, and half wanted him to resign.

Robert Gates will, more than likely, take Rumsfeld's place. As the president of Texas A&M and a former director of the CIA, he has the potential to change much. Bush admitted that fresh perspectives are needed.

While Iowa voted for a new governor along with senators and representatives, other states did the same. I was pleased to see that the good people of California also re-elected Arnold Schwarzenegger.

In South Dakota, an incumbent for county commissioner was defeated by a woman who died two months ago from cancer. Officials believe that people knew that she was deceased and still voted for her. What this proves is that the American people were really ready for a change, no matter what.

Personally, what it means for me was that the political ads are finally over. I can finally watch TV without seeing the negativity that has plagued our nation.

Of course, with the '08 elections around the corner, it's just a matter of time before the plague that is political ads hits again.

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Extending abortion to trimester 75 could ensure a huge army

MATT VOIGTS *COLUMNIST*

In a previous editorial, I urged you to get informed and vote. Unfortunately, I took my own advice, and it was depressing because both Whalen and Braley were schmucks, I had to vote for the pirate guy. He may not have had any issues, but at least he didn't think all illegal immigrants should be walled out or shipped back.

The pirate dude's one issue was that politics were too partisan. I agree. For instance, I think Iraq was a gigantic mistake (Democrat idea). I also think that since we destabilized Iraq, it's our obligation to ensure it gets re-stabilized (sort of Republican). Plus, though I find the "pro-life" side too simplistic, I also find many "pro-choice" arguments troubling in their moral inconstancy, especially in relation to other values that I would like to believe are associated with liberalism.

Luckily, I've developed a bipartisan solution on those extraordinarily controversial issues: When an unwanted fetus reaches the 75th trimester, we send it to Iraq. This can go into effect retroactively. I'm sure there are plenty of unwanted fetuses out walking around that, had their mothers been better informed, would have been aborted. Some of these fetuses might even predate Roe v. Wade. I even expect we'll have enough fetuses to cover the coming crises in Iran and North Korea.

The solution is that at any point in the fetus' development, the mother tells the federal government she wants an abortion, and the government appropriates the fetus to the branch of the armed services the reluctant parent chooses. Then, mission accomplished or not, if the fetus survives to term, it will be aborted following its tour of duty. This works well strategically, because the fetus will fight like it has nothing to lose. We won't have to worry about post-traumatic stress, or even veterans' affairs because there will be no veterans. Some may call this inhumane, but I've heard that the terrorists are dispatching suicide bombers which may not have even reached their 59th trimesters. I know America has higher moral standards than that.

My abortion plan is compassionate. With my plan, no longer will military service be sending the reluctant poor to hardship and potential death; rather, we'll be sending the otherwise unsupportable to certain and therefore merciful deaths, and we'll be making productive soldiers out of them to boot.

We can slice most of our social welfare programs out of the national budget because with my plan, we can honestly and openly admit that they're failures to which death is preferable. The horrible lives these fetuses (will) have led from trimesters four through 74 will undoubtedly serve to substantiate my point.

No longer will we be beholden to any section of society's unacceptable, be they disagreeable on a personal or more class-based level. As a society, we aren't able to offer support to families that don't fit the traditional model, and it is our only moral obligation that we, the powerful, safeguard the rights of the disadvantaged to thin their numbers.

To clarify, I'm not "pro-abortion." No one is. I just believe in a president's right to choose, and I think it would be wrong for the government (let alone the American people) to restrict that in any way. The bottom line is, it's the president's country, and he can do with it as he wills. After all, we only elected him; he's the one who has to bring the war to term. And let's be honest — how interested will most citizens remain in the presidency following election night? My all-fetus army will ensure the war will not be an undue stress on its primary supporter and provider.

So onward, fetal soldiers! My solution only, can morally justify both our involvement in Iraq and abortion, and I see no reason why both liberals and conservatives shouldn't find, in it, much to agree upon.

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TRUMPET/*Nation and World*

Gaming consoles face off

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MCT NEWS

Within weeks, Sony and Nintendo will unveil the latest versions of their next-generation video game consoles.

Just in time for the holiday shopping season, the new machines will do battle with the Xbox 360, Microsoft's earlier entry, which offers a high-definition DVD drive.

Sony's PlayStation 3 will be released Friday. Nintendo's Wii will be out Sunday.

Here's what to expect:

The PS3 is one part gaming console, one part home entertainment system, a cutting-edge gadget designed to prove indispensable. As a result, Sony is unapologetic about its hefty $499 price tag.

Not only will players be able to play games on the PS3, they will be able to surf the Net and be one of the first to experience Blu-ray DVD technology, one of the two standards duking it out for next-generation DVD bragging rights.

Nintendo is resting its hopes for domination on a console that will challenge gamers to think and play differently. The Wii is a small machine and costs about $250.

But what has everyone in the industry atwitter are its remote controllers, which detect motion, work as pointing devices, vibrate and connect with up to three other controllers, each of which has a speaker.

Chuck Kennedy *MCT News*

President George Bush and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld talk during the opening ceremony of the Air Force Memorial Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006, at Arlington, Va.

Gates to replace Rumsfeld

Bush ousts secretary of defense after elections

RON HUTCHESON *MCT NEWS*

Chastened by a "thumpin" at the polls, Bush heeded voters' call for change Wednesday by ousting Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

Bush's surprise decision to replace Rumsfeld with former CIA Director Robert Gates was the most dramatic event in a series of rapid-fire developments triggered by the Democratic takeover in Congress.

Late results from Tuesday's elections left Democrats poised to control both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Bush and House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, in line to become America's first female House speaker, pledged to work together on issues ranging from Iraq to increasing the minimum wage.

But the talk of cooperation didn't immediately dispel the partisan rancor that's settled on Washington, nor did it stop Republican recriminations over the election results.

At the White House, Bush said he was surprised and disappointed by Tuesday's outcome.

Bush acknowledged his share of the blame for an election that was a referendum on the Iraq war and on his performance as president.

"As the head of the Republican Party, I share a large part of the responsibility," he said at a news conference.

Rumsfeld's oust came a week after Bush told a small group of reporters that he wanted the defense secretary to stay on the job until the end of his presidency. Despite what he said, Bush had already concluded that he wanted "a fresh perspective" at the Pentagon, although he hadn't interviewed Gates or worked out final details of Rumsfeld's resignation.

Members of Congress from both parties welcomed Rumsfeld's departure as a sign that Bush is open to new ideas on Iraq. Critics say the defense secretary ignored his commanders' advice, invaded Iraq with too few troops, set a tone that encouraged the abuse of war captives, failed to develop a credible post-war plan and imposed back-breaking burdens on the military.

Rumsfeld showed little of his characteristic cockiness at an appearance with Bush and Gates Wednesday, but maintained his sense of humor.

"I have benefited greatly from criticism," he said, borrowing a line from Winston Churchill, "and at no time have I suffered a lack thereof."

Gates is considered a pragmatic foreign policy realist, with a tendency to see the world in shades of gray.

Female bishop challenges church

JANET I. TU *MCT NEWS*

For 45 years, she was a Roman Catholic nun. Now she considers herself a Catholic bishop.

Patricia Fresen of South Africa says she was ordained a priest in 2003 and a bishop last year, though the church recognizes neither.

The 65-year-old is part of a recent movement called Roman Catholic Womenpriests.

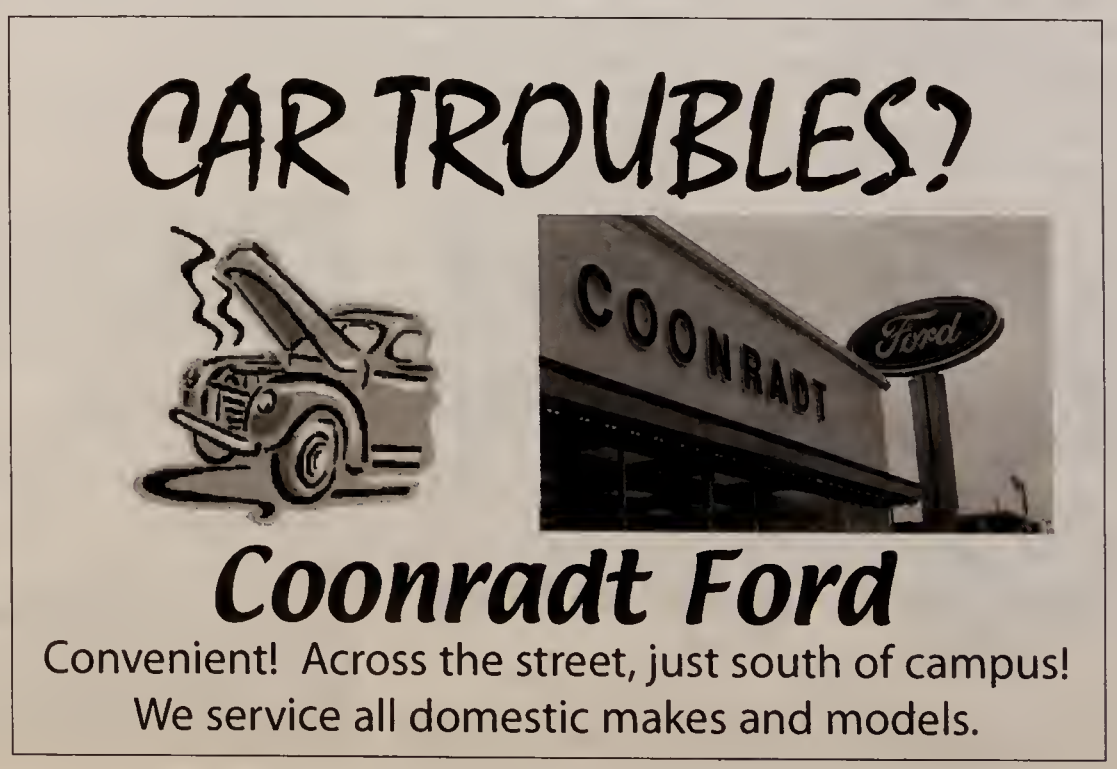
Fresen was invited to Seattle by Betty Hill, of Call to Action Western Washington, an organization of Catholics calling for church reforms.

According to church law, only men can be ordained, and the church says those in Roman Catholic Womenpriests are therefore not priests or bishops, and most sacraments they perform are invalid.

"This isn't a question of whether the church values women. It's a question of authority," Greg Magnoni, spokesman for the Seattle Archdiocese, said. "There's a vast number of things Catholics may or may not agree with. In the end, if you're Catholic, you accept the authority of the church."

Church teachings say only men are ordained because Jesus chose male apostles. But Fresen considers such restrictions unjust.

Neither Fresen nor Hill, of Call to Action, said they think Pope Benedict XVI will allow the ordination of women.



TRUMPET/*Variety*

Behind the scenes: What does a Wipperman do?

WHITNEY FREE *STAFF WRITER*

Tuesday, Nov. 7, was no ordinary day, especially for Alek Wipperman.

"The first thing I did when I got up was vote," the Wartburg graduate said.

Of course, the first vote he cast was for himself.

For the past six months, Wipperman, a 2006 Wartburg graduate, has campaigned to become District 17's next representative in the Iowa House of Representatives.

Because his future would be affected at the polls Tuesday, Wipperman continued that campaign.

After voting, Wipperman headed to his campaign headquarters, Financial Architects, in Waverly for coffee with democratic state senate candidate, Bill Heckroth, and some of their most dedicated volunteers.

Wipperman canvassed parts of Waverly before heading to Plainfield where he had heard voter turnout was abnormally low.

"Once I got there I realized why," he said. "They were in the middle of paving Main Street, and people couldn't get to the polls."

After knocking on doors in Plainfield and some in Waverly, he made several phone calls to registered Democrats.

Wipperman continued door knocking past dark. "I was running around in the dark trying to find house numbers."

Wipperman then headed to The Fainting Goat where Heckroth and Wipperman supporters gathered to watch election coverage.

As results came in, the crowd cheered at every Democratic lead.

Heckroth's numbers appeared first and were in his favor. Wipperman's numbers were met later with applause and shouts of excitement.

He had an early lead of 61 percent, with eight percent of precincts reporting.

Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Wipperman sits with supporters at The Fainting Goat Tuesday, waiting for early results.

Not long after, Bruce Braley's acceptance speech aired as the crowd watched the election ticker nervously.

The next numbers shown were not as positive. Wipperman's Republican opponent, Pat Grassley, took the lead with 52 percent with 17 percent of precincts reporting.

Stomachs sank at the numbers, but supporters remained positive.

They watched as Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Nussle conceded to Democratic opponent, Chet Culver. Next came news that the Democrats had won a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives.

> 'We knew we'd done everything right'

With both excitement and tension high, Wipperman's numbers appeared again. Thirty-five percent of the votes were in, and Grassley had 60 percent.

By that time, the atmosphere was one of joy and sadness. Heckroth was on his way to victory, but so was Grassley.

After stepping out for a phone call, Heckroth stood on a chair and asked for the crowd's attention.

In a shaky voice, he thanked everyone who was a part of the campaign and announced he was honored to become the district's new state senator.

As Heckroth stepped down, Wipperman made his way to the makeshift podium. He was greeted enthusiastically by the crowd.

Never using the word "concede," Wipperman announced that it didn't "look pretty" for him.

He emphasized that the success of his campaign wasn't based on victory, but on the fact that he ran a clean campaign based on issues.

"We are a different kind of young people," he said, describing his generation's passion for change. At ages 22 and 23, either Wipperman or Grassley would have been the youngest state senator in Iowa's history.

Wipperman said he believed his campaign would set an example and prove to people that politics don't have to be based on mudslinging abilities or outspending opponents.

"The kind of campaign we ran also made it easier to handle the loss. We knew we'd done everything right."

Sixty percent of registered voters in Bremer and Butler counties voted, with Waverly backing Wipperman.

He identified three reasons he lacked enough votes. A greater percentage of registered voters in the district are Republican; Grassley outspent Wipperman 8 to 1 in the campaign; and Grassley's grandfather, Chuck Grassley, is a U.S. Senator.

Now, Wipperman is enjoying relaxing before making any big decisions.

Braley may ask him to work as a clerk in Washington, D.C. If so, Wipperman may work there while attending law school.

He is also excited about the possibility of working on former Governor Tom Vilsack's presidential campaign.

The campaign has ended; he knocked on 9,500 doors. Wipperman says, however, his passion for politics has not waned, and he's not done.

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Gillis hopes national tournament will help him lead team to national title

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top two wrestlers in Div. I for each weight class and has them wrestle.

According to Wartburg Head Coach Jim Miller, they also pick top wrestlers from non-Div. I schools to compete in exhibition matches.

As the No. 1-ranked heavyweight wrestler in Div. III, Gillis will be taking on his counterpart from Div. II, top-ranked University of Nebraska at Kearney wrestler, Tervel Dlagnev, in the heavyweight exhibition.

Gillis is a three-time NCAA Div. III runner-up and a three-time Iowa Conference champion in the heavyweight class.

"The kid [Dlagnev] is pretty tough," Gillis said. "I beat him last year, but it was a tight match. I think if I open up and wrestle my match I should be able to put it on him."

Miller sees this as a great opportunity for Gillis, the program and the college.

"I really feel honored for Blake. He's deserved it," Miller said. "This is a big-time event, and when you get that Wartburg uniform out there, and all the fans in the stands and the press see that, it does nothing but help the status of your program."

Gillis knows that this preseason meet is a big boost going into his senior season.

"It is a huge confidence builder, just to be invited to the meet," Gillis said. "I want to win this match, win a couple of other big tournaments and just keep on rolling toward a national title."

Miller will make the trip to the Dallas Convention Center with Gillis as a member of the NWCA All-Star Coaching Staff.

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TRUMPET/*Sports*

Wagaman qualifies for national meet

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Johnson said. "I'm not going to make any predictions; we just need to race."

"We want to have our best race of the season and not have any regrets," Chenoweth said.

Jill Wagaman

Going into this weekend, the Wartburg women were ranked 33rd, behind five Central Region teams and one spot in front of another. However, only the top five teams from each region are considered for the national meet. The Knights finished sixth, marking the first time since 1999 that they have not qualified for the nationals.

"Of course I'm disappointed that we didn't qualify, but we did much better than we did at conference" Johnson said. "We got out fast and risked it and competed really well. I'm very encouraged that we put our best race together [at the end of the season] and were really close to qualifying."

The women finished 14 points behind fifth-place Carleton, who was the last team to make it from the Central Region.

The highlighting performance for Wartburg came from Jill Wagaman, who individually qualified for nationals. She got out with a lead pack that included defending national champion Hailey Harren of Gustavus Adolphus. Wagaman held on for fourth place, beating conference champion Janet Dobyns of Luther, while Harren eventually pulled away to win.

"I couldn't be more excited for Jill," Johnson said. "Her goal was to beat [Dobyns]. Jill had a good race strategy and it paid off."

Next for the Knights was freshman Anna Kraayenbrink in 23rd, narrowly missing qualifying for the national meet. The NCAA takes seven individual qualifiers from each region and she was the 10th.

"Anna has great potential and ran really well," Johnson said.

Next for the Knights was Jessica Viner in 41st, followed by Marcy Rahn in 44th, and Amanda Kuiken, 49th.

"Amanda had a tendon injury," Johnson said. "But she ran and had probably her best race of the season."

The NCAA Div. III Championship will be hosted by Wilmington College Saturday. The men race at 11 a.m., and Wagaman will compete at noon.

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Women's basketball hopes to rebound

Returning players set to take to the court with new head coach

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

For first-year head coach Bob Amsberry, Wartburg's situation is nothing new.

Amsberry graduated from Buena Vista, so he is no stranger to the Iowa Conference. At Rockford College he turned around a team with a national record 70-game losing streak, so rebuilding is nothing new.

While Wartburg is not in the midst of a 70-game losing streak, the team is coming off one of its worst years in recent history. Last season, the Knights finished below .500 for the first time in over a decade. But Amsberry says the state of the program isn't close to what Rockford was.

"I would describe the difference as night and day," Amsberry said. "When I took over at Rockford... [I] pretty much started over there. It's not very similar to this program, although we need to build this program."

Amsberry will have big shoes to fill in the women's basketball program. He replaces Monica Severson, who was the winningest coach in school history in her 18-year tenure.

"We've got a good group that's working hard and is committed to building the program to where it was just a few years ago under Monica Severson, who did a tremendous job for several years here," Amsberry said.

For Amsberry, the cupboard isn't bare. He feels he has a good team to start his stint as Wartburg's head coach. Junior guard Elizabeth Campbell is coming off a season where she averaged nearly 13 points per contest and was named to the second team all-conference. Fellow junior Megan Hendricks is returning after averaging almost 12 points a game.

"I think overall we're pretty deep," Amsberry said. "I'd say a couple of returning players that return the most experience are Elizabeth Campbell and Megan Hendricks. Statistically they were probably our two leaders here last year, and I don't really expect that to change. They are big parts of this puzzle."

The Knights will have a new assistant coach as well. Aaron Nester followed Amsberry from Rockford after coaching with Amsberry for four years.

"It was awesome to have a guy that knew my system and knew what to expect from me. It was just like taking the old program and running with it," Amsberry said.

With new coaches, a new style of play will follow. Amsberry hopes to play more up-tempo and will try to have more of a transition game. He also hopes to have a strong defensive team.

Even with 10 letter winners returning from a team that went 4-12 in the conference last year, Wartburg is predicted to finish sixth in the IIAC. Luther and Simpson were on top of the predictions, while BV is expected to finish third.

Wartburg will open its season this weekend at the Bon Appetit Tournament in Portland, Ore. The Knights' first conference game will be Nov. 28 at Coe.

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Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Jason Lansing and Cass Long combine for a tackle against Dubuque.

Seniors add to program; team looks to next year

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you're going to give up a couple of big plays to those guys."

The score remained tied at 14 through the fourth quarter as neither team could find the endzone.

The ensuing overtime period found the Knights with the ball first. Wartburg's offense gained a first down, but was forced to attempt a 36-yard field goal after a three and out.

Spencer Herzberg's kick missed just wide right and Dubuque took possession on the Wartburg 25-yard line.

The Spartans needed only three plays to march the ball down to Wartburg's two-yard line where they lined up for a field goal. Cory Siaba's 19-yard kick stayed inside the left upright to seal the first win for the Spartans after 16-consecutive losses.

"I give all the credit to Dubuque. They made all the plays today that they had to and we did not," Koehler said.

The Knights were led defensively by the trio of Nick Noble and Nick Weber who each had an interception and Ryan Gerardy who accounted for another interception and led the team in tackles with 15.

The Knights end their season with a final record of 8-2 overall and 6-2 in Iowa Conference action and Koehler had nothing but praise for his team and this senior class.

"We made some progress with our young team," Koehler said. "And I'm proud of the way these seniors played for four years."

Even though this isn't the way they envisioned their season and they lose 10 seniors to graduation this year, the Knights are getting ready for next season.

"We always have motivation for the next season," Josh Van Rees said. "This is definitely a big motivator to make us work even harder in the off-season."

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IIAC STANDINGS

Team	IIAC	Overall
Central	8-0	10-0
Wartburg	6-2	8-2
Coe	5-3	7-3
Dubuque	5-3	6-4
BV	4-4	4-6
Loras	4-4	4-6
Simpson	3-5	3-7
Luther	1-7	2-8
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Knights still in nationals

Men take out top regional teams en route to Sweet 16

ABBY SHOWALTER *SPORTS EDITOR*

For the third straight year, the men's soccer team has earned a Sweet 16 berth in the NCAA Div. III National Tournament. With two wins this weekend, Wartburg will advance to the Final Four held in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

The Knights are matched up against Wheaton College (Ill.) for their Sweet 16 game scheduled for Friday in York, Penn. Game time is set for approximately 1:30 p.m.

Wartburg advanced to the round of 16 by beating 2005 national runner-up Gustavus Adolphus (Minn.) 1-0 Sunday.

The only goal of the match came late in the second half when forward Harrison Kibomobo-Lugujjo broke away from the defense and hit a rocket at the Gustie's keeper.

The Gustavus keeper tipped the ball. As the ball bounced on the goal line, a Gustie defender knocked into the back of the net as he attempted to clear it. The goal was counted as an own goal.

Midfielder Josh Palmer knew the game was under control after Wartburg scored.

"Everyone was excited because we looked up at the game clock, and there were only 10 minutes left. We knew we only had to shut them out for that much longer," Palmer said.

Wartburg missed a golden opportunity minutes later when Casey Johnson misfired a penalty kick just wide, after Luke McClyman was taken down in the box on a breakaway.

Wartburg held a 17-14 shot advantage, and keeper Matt Shepard had four saves.

Head Coach Jim Conlon said he was proud of his team and what they accomplished during the weekend.

"Beating Gustavus, a highly respected and a highly ranked team in the west region and in the nation, is a huge feat for us," Conlon said. "Our seniors posted the 71st win of their careers, so that really made it pretty special that they could carry us and have a great day."

Palmer, a freshman, transferred earlier this year from Gustavus to Wartburg and had high emotions entering the game.

"I was playing with high intensity out there; I definitely made the right choice coming to Wartburg," Palmer said. "We came out and showed we're the best team in the west region right now."

Saturday, Wartburg took out North Park University (Ill.) in a 2-1 win. This was the second time the teams have faced off in 2006 and the Knights were victorious 3-1 in the first meeting.

The Vikings got on board first, 20 minutes into the first half. Kibomobo-Lugujjo got the equalizer seven minutes later off an assist by midfielder Geoff Miller.

Joe Hoeksema broke through the defense and lobbed a shot over the Viking's keeper with 10 minutes left in regulation to put in the winning goal for Wartburg.

Britt Cogan/*Courtesy Photo*

Jon Hinke gets taken down at the knees by a Gustie defender.

Kibomobo-Lugujjo's goal was his 27th of the season, leaving him just one short of tying Verne Houston's 2004 single season record of 28.

"Beating North Park and Gustavus in the same weekend allows us to earn more respect ,and this senior class has taken us to the NCAA Tournament four times," Conlon said.

Wartburg moves to 19-2-1 on the season and will now prepare for their match against Wheaton.

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Team wins national invitation

ADAM HARRINGA *ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR*

With five teams ranked 16th or better at the men's Central Region Championship, 14th-ranked Wartburg knew they would be facing stiff competition to qualify for the national meet. But behind five all-region performances, the men placed third and received an at-large invitation to the national championship.

"I thought we had a good meet," head coach Steve Johnson said. "We fought hard and, as a group, were more competitive. We just got beat by two very good teams."

Hamline took the team title, beating No. 15 Luther by two points.

"We can run at those two teams at nationals if we get after it," Johnson said.

However, the Knights were not completely satisfied with their performance.

"I think we could have run better, and I know we'll run better at nationals," Brian Chenoweth said. Chenoweth was Wartburg's top runner at 13th.

Chenoweth was followed by Andy Hodge, 14th, and Patrick Johnson at 16th.

Rounding out the all-region performances for the men were Brian Mullenbach, 27th, and Tony Fischels, 31st.

"Tony had the best race on the team," Johnson said. "He started slow and really stepped up and made a move."

By qualifying this year the men will be making their eighth consecutive national appearance. However, they only return three varsity runners from a year ago, and are without track All-American Tim McKenna, who has been battling back from knee surgery.

"It's an inexperienced group, but at nationals they'll get in there and compete really well,"

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Matt Popowski/*Trumpet*

Patrick Johnson moves through the pack late in the race.

Loss knocks team out of play-off race

LUKE SHANNO
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Wartburg football team met its match Saturday at Walston-Hoover Stadium. After a 16-year win streak against the University of Dubuque, the Knights fell 17-14 in an overtime loss to the Spartans in the final regular season game.

With the loss, the Knights finish in second place in the Iowa Conference, and their hopes of a berth in the NCAA Div. III playoffs are dashed.

The Knights only gained 188 yards on the day, 151 of which were rushing yards. Dubuque gained 360 yards on 80 offensive plays.

Senior running back Dan Hammes carried the Wartburg offense as he gained 157 yards on 26 rushes and two touchdowns.

"We were able to rush the football with some effectiveness, but Dubuque was committed to stopping the run," Head Coach Eric Koehler said. "You are not going to beat teams when you are one-dimensional, and that's what we were today."

Hammes started the scoring for the Knights halfway through the first quarter on a 10-yard run, highlighting a three-play drive.

The Spartans answered with an almost seven-minute touchdown drive of their own that covered 67 yards. The first quarter ended in a 7-7 deadlock.

The Knights regained the lead with eight minutes left in the second quarter when Hammes found the endzone from 12 yards out. Wartburg maintained the 14-7 lead going into halftime.

Dubuque used a 51-yard scamper from Brandon Clayton past the Wartburg defense for their second touchdown of the contest.

"I thought our defense played well for the most part all day," Koehler said. "But

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